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Merge of Commissions

To the Appropriations Committee,

The idea of merging several commissions (to save money I suppose) will do a great disservice to our diverse and expanding communities.

In this case I am advocating for the Latino and Puerto Rican Affairs Commission. I have some questions for the Appropriations Committee:

Who will keep the State of Connecticut INFORMED about the issues affecting our Hispanic residents?

Our specific issues should be addressed by a group of our own who have advocated and worked for us for many years.

Did you know that from the last census we are actually becoming the MAJORITY in numbers?

How will the State of Connecticut KNOW our concerns as voting HISPANIC AMERICAN citizens?

The merging of commissions to save a few dollars makes bad business and political sense.

Just think about it.

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